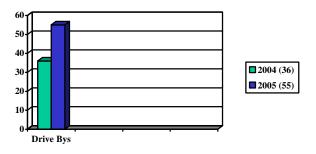
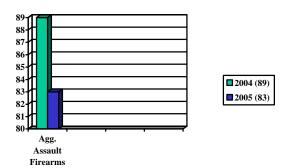
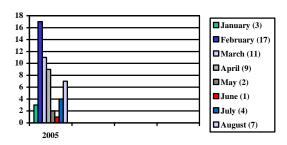
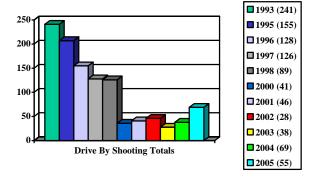
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Recent statistical data on drive bys and aggravated assaults









The statistical data is still encouraging. In 2005, the city of Wichita has experienced a slight decrease in aggravated assaults with firearms compared to 2004. Drive by shootings are still an issue that is being addressed by utilizing the gang plan. Remember, school is starting and gang violence can rise during the first two months of school. This is due to gang members seeing each other on a regular basis during school hours. Be mindful of your child's friends and take a moment to talk with your child about gang membership and gang violence. This is a preventative action that parents should take with their child.

Last month several of you filled out surveys conveying interest in being involved with the steering committee of the Gang Coalition. I'm happy to announce that on September 20, 2005, at 7 pm, the first meeting of the steering committee will take place. The meeting will be held at the Wichita Police **Department Training Academy, located at** 2235 W. 37th. The second page of this newsletter contains the names of the individuals that have so graciously given their time to be a part of the steering committee. If you would also like to be a part of the steering committee then please attend the meeting and become involved in something positive for the community. I look forward to seeing you at the meeting in September.

If you have information about problems in your neighborhood or would like to speak with an officer about setting up a gang awareness meeting for your Neighborhood Association please contact the Bureau you reside in. If you would like to start a Neighborhood Watch or Neighborhood Association please contact Community Affairs at 268-4101.

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